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Another Hyperion comment.

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To Whom It May Concern:

I have felt all along that a 'rush' has been put on the whole Hyperion project. Never in my lifetime would I have thought to be dealing with or fighting against such a project in the state of South Dakota. Just because we have clean air and the wildlife can run as they please, does not mean that a project like this oil refinery would not require an environmental impact study. What is the question here? Why would we NOT WANT TO do one? Just because South Dakota law does not require an environmental impact study – we definitely NEED to do one to protect ourselves.

Nothing is worth rushing in to. I'm sure the Governor is really pushing to get this Hyperion project passed and the monies flowing into our state. But at what risk do we not try to protect all involved? The Governor did not want this refinery out by Pierre – for whatever reasons, and many have been speculated.

I ask that you please require an environmental impact study be done by an independent outside company.

Also, for the people directly affected by the refinery, I ask that you consider holding your public hearings concerning the air permit in this Union County area rather than in Pierre so everyone will have a chance to participate.

Other concerns I have regarding the air permit would be the odor emissions from an oil refinery – it just plain smells.

What about the emissions from all the added transportation issues that will arise?

There are a lot of air permit issues that have not been answered. No amount of money income is worth not getting answers to these questions. Why would we want our beautiful state of South Dakota turned into a polluted area?

Please consider my concerns and the concerns of all in this matter.

Thank you for your time,

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